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Consumer Price Index – July 2015

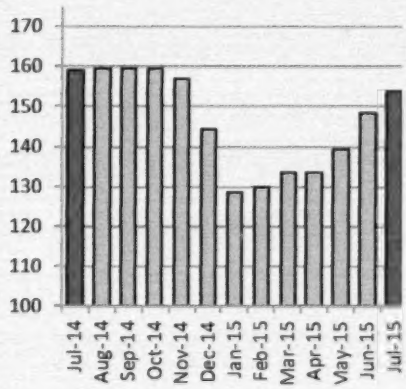
Information released today by Statistics Canada indicates that the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index rose 2.0% compared to one year ago. By comparison, the annual price increase was 1.3% for Canada, 1.3% for Edmonton, and 0.2% in Whitehorse.

All-Items Consumer Price Index (2002=100)

				% Change from		12-Month Average		
	15-Jul	15-Jun	14-Jul	15-Jun	14-Jul	14-Aug 15-Jul	13-Aug 14-Jul	% Change
Yellowknife	131.3	131.4	128.7	-0.1	2.0	129.5	127.5	1.6
Canada	127.3	127.2	125.7	0.1	1.3	125.9	124.1	1.5
Edmonton	134.1	134.1	132.4	-	1.3	132.4	130.6	1.4
Whitehorse	125.4	125.1	125.2	0.2	0.2	123.9	124.1	-0.2

Compared to July 2014, consumer prices increased in Yellowknife for most major components with the exception of shelter and health & personal care. Higher prices for food from stores (6.9%) and transportation (2.8%) were offset by lower prices for water, fuel & electricity (-4.7%) and personal care (-3.0%).

CPI - Gasoline
Yellowknife, July 2014 to July 2015



On a monthly basis, the overall Yellowknife index decreased by 0.1%; the first monthly decline this year. Contributing to this monthly change were price declines for shelter, household operations & furnishings, and transportation. A notable increase was in gasoline which rose 3.6% between June and July 2015. While the price of gasoline has steadily risen over the last few months, it is still lower than it was last summer.

CPI values for Yellowknife and Whitehorse include estimates of price changes for owned accommodation based on the price of rental accommodation. As a result, the all-items indexes published for these centres are not strictly comparable to those for Canada and Edmonton.

Next release of CPI: September 18, 2015.

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Selected Indexes, Yellowknife (2002 = 100)

	15-Jul	15-Jun	14-Jul	% Change from 15-Jun	% Change from 14-Jul
All Items	131.3	131.4	128.7	-0.1	2.0
Food	139.1	138.3	131.6	0.6	5.7
Food from Stores	138.9	137.8	129.9	0.8	6.9
Food from Restaurants	138.3	138.2	135.9	0.1	1.8
Shelter	150.1	150.3	150.3	-0.1	-0.1
Water, Fuel & Electricity	192.2	191.7	201.6	0.3	-4.7
Household Operations & Furnishings	113.9	114.9	111.9	-0.9	1.8
Household Operations	122.5	123.0	120.3	-0.4	1.8
Household Furnishings	95.9	97.9	94.5	-2.0	1.5
Clothing & Footwear	100.3	100.2	99.5	0.1	0.8
Clothing	92.0	93.0	91.8	-1.1	0.2
Footwear	97.5	94.3	94.7	3.4	3.0
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	141.7	141.7	144.4	-	-1.9
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	109.9	109.9	109.8	-	0.1
Transportation	125.0	126.3	121.6	-1.0	2.8
Private Transportation	124.9	126.9	120.8	-1.6	3.4
Public Transportation	128.8	128.0	128.0	0.6	0.6
Health & Personal Care	119.0	117.8	120.7	1.0	-1.4
Health Care	117.4	117.7	116.5	-0.3	0.8
Personal Care	121.3	119.1	125.0	1.8	-3.0
Recreation, Education & Reading	107.4	106.5	104.5	0.8	2.8
Recreation	103.9	102.9	100.9	1.0	3.0
Education & Reading	126.7	126.6	125.8	0.1	0.7
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	167.0	166.4	164.3	0.4	1.6
Alcoholic Beverages	149.4	149.7	148.6	-0.2	0.5
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	187.5	185.0	181.4	1.4	3.4
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:					
Food	129.8	130.1	128.1	-0.2	1.3
Energy	126.6	126.9	123.2	-0.2	2.8
Shelter	123.3	123.4	119.8	-0.1	2.9
Alcoholic Beverages	130.9	131.0	128.3	-0.1	2.0
Tobacco Products	130.2	130.3	127.7	-0.1	2.0
Housing (1986 Definition)	140.4	140.6	139.3	-0.1	0.8
ENERGY AND ITS COMPONENTS:					
Energy	182.8	180.1	191.7	1.5	-4.6
Electricity	196.8	196.8	181.5	-	8.4
Fuel Oil And Other Fuels	216.1	214.2	273.8	0.9	-21.1
Natural Gas	..	..	..	..	..
Gasoline	153.8	148.5	159.2	3.6	-3.4
Fuel, Parts and Supplies for Rect'l Vehicles	..	..	..	..	..

Note: Additional indexes are available from the Time Series Retrieval and Statistics Canada Catalogue 62-001.
Source: Statistics Canada